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SUBJECT: CHANNEL IDENTIFICATION IN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Double Patenting rejection held by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2005, Applicants attach hereto a Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Provisional Patenting Rejection Over a Pending "Reference" Application for each of the co-pending Application Nos. 10/067,748, 10/263,959, 10/259,290 and 10/452,511 cited by the Examiner in the Office Action. The prescribed fees for filing said Terminal Disclaimers are also submitted herewith on Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17.

It is believed that with the filing of the aforementioned Terminal Disclaimers, Applicants have responded fully to the Examiner's objections in the Office Action and favourable reconsideration of the application is hereby courteously requested.

Yours very truly,
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity	
				Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	=		50	25
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.				200	100
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	360	180

- 3 or HP = $\frac{\text{Total Claims} - 20}{50} \times 50$ = $\frac{\text{Indep. Claims} - 3}{50} \times 50$

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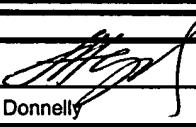
4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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